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In re the Patent Application of: : Rahman et al.
Art Unit: 2874 :
Application No.: 10/710,303 :
 : Examiner: Ellen E. Kim
Filed : 07/01/2004 :
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Title: NOVEL PHOTONIC WAVEGUIDE :
STRUCTURES FOR CHIP-SCALE :
PHOTONIC INTEGRATED CIRCUITS :

Commissioner for Patents
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DRAFT RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT FOR
INTERVIEW

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 27, 2006, having a one month shortened statutory period for reply which expires December 27, 2006, please consider the following election, amendment and remarks.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

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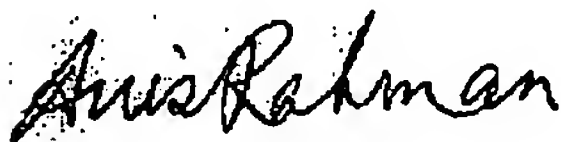
For: Application No. 10/710,303; filing date: 07/01/2004
Inventors: Anis Rahman, Ph.D. and Donald Tomalia, Ph.D
Title: "Novel Photonic Waveguide Structures for Chip-Scale Photonic
Integrated Circuits"
Examiner: Ellen E. Kim
Art Unit: 2874

Dear Examiner Kim:

In reference to the above mentioned application, I, the applicant, respectfully request to schedule a phone interview to discuss restriction requirements per your letter of 11/27/06. Form PTOL-413A has been included with a requested date of 12/18/2006 at 2:00 PM. A draft response to the office action is also included for your review prior to official submission.

In this connection the following patent documents deems relevant and may be referred to during interview: US patent No. 007110627 ("Reflective arrayed waveguide grating," Sept. 19, 2006) and US patent application publication No. 2006/0158230 ("Nanophotonic integrated circuit and fabrication thereof," July 20, 2006).

Sincerely,



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Approved for use through 03/31/2007. OMB 0861-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form**Application No.: 10/710,303 First Named Applicant: Rahman, Anis
Examiner: Kim, Ellen E Art Unit: 2874 Status of Application: _____**Tentative Participants:**(1) Rahman, Anis (2) _____

(3) _____ (4) _____

Proposed Date of Interview: 12/18/2006 Proposed Time: 2:00 PM (AM/PM)**Type of Interview Requested:**(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video ConferenceExhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☒ YES ☐ NOIf yes, provide brief description: A draft response**Issues To Be Discussed**

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Restriction requirements</u>	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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(4) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Continuation Sheet Attached					

Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:Please see attached sheets and draft response

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on _____.

NOTE: This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

Anis Rahman

Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature

Examiner/SPE Signature

Anis Rahman

Typed/Printed Name of Applicant or Representative

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